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Clinic grounds, dates

Soccer News announces today locations and dates for the big Clinics. They are:

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Sunday, Sept. 8

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Sunday, Sept. 15

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MIDDLE PARK

Sunday, Sept. 22

This is the Park Rangers ground right outside the Middle Park railway station. Dressing sheds and many playing ovals. This Clinic will serve Middle Park, South Melbourne, Albert Park, Elwood, Brighton and all surrounding areas.

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Date to be announced

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Are Polonia and J.U.S.T. cracking under the strain of being too long at the top of the State League? Are they going stale?

Many Soccer people are asking this following Polonia's shock defeat by Hakoah on Saturday and failure of J.U.S.T. to defeat S.M.-Hellas on Sunday and move to the top of the ladder.

Polonia sub-consciously took Hakoah too lightly, and before they could snap out of their lethargy, Hakoah's aggressive cup-tie style of game had swept them to victory.

Polonia, as they lick their wounds, must now consider their future. They are on top only on percentage and they have a slightly harder road home than J.U.S.T. One slip by Polonia and we have a new leader.

In the remaining three rounds they meet Slavia, George Cross and Lions. J.U.S.T. face Lions, Richmond and George Cross.

But J.U.S.T., too, are not completely happy with their team. They have reshuffled their forward line in an effort to curb the individualism that has crept into some players.

On Sunday they were not good enough to break Hellas — in fact Hellas would probably have won if they had had a hard-hitting centre-forward to finish off the good approach work from the half-back line.

And poised ready to

pounce is a confident George Cross. One slip by the leaders and the Cross will walk into championship calculations.

The double-header at Olympic Park should attract another five-figure crowd on Sunday.

Triestina play Austria (First South) in the curtain-raiser at 1.15 p.m. and Richmond play George Cross at 3 o'clock.

This is what Soccer News chief reporter JIM COOK has to say about the big game —

Richmond's shock display against Slavia will certainly enhance their confidence, but the Cross should win without being unduly troubled.

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"Hands up!" . . . no, it's not a stick up! It's Boulos Kamboropoulos (right), the Hellas forward, in a clash with brilliant J.U.S.T. half-back Frank Micic at Olympic Park on Sunday. Hellas held J.U.S.T. to a 1-all draw.

Clubs move on promotion

Eleven clubs in Metropolitan League moved this week to reject the Federation's proposed plans for promotion and relegation.

The clubs have called for a special general meeting before September 7, to reopen talks.

The 11 clubs are Fiorentina, Sicilia, Alexander, Hercules, Brunswick Athens, Libertas, Triestina, Box Hill, Coburg, Essendon and Makedonia.

They gave notice that they would move at the meeting that automatic promotion and relegation within the Metropolitan League and between the State League and the Metropolitan League be on a basis of two teams up and two

teams down.

A special general meeting on July 3 decided that delegates from State League and Metropolitan get together to work out a solution to promotion and relegation.

These delegates announced last week that they recommended a "round robin" series of matches be played at the end of the season between the two bottom teams in State League and the top team in Metropolitan First North and South.

The matches would be on a home-and-away basis, with the two top teams at the end of the series going into State League next year.

At the special combined meeting of State League and Metropolitan representatives voting was 15 for a round-robin series, none against, with six abstaining from voting.

Twelve representatives were present from the State League and nine from Metropolitan. Three Metropolitan delegates did not attend—and one walked out before the vote was taken.

See story page 5. Editorial page 4.

STATE LEAGUE

State League games for next weekend —

OLYMPIC PARK

SATURDAY — Lions v J.U.S.T., 2.45 p.m.

SUNDAY — Richmond v George Cross, 3 p.m.

Curtain-raiser: Triestina v Austria, 1.15 p.m.

SATURDAY

MIDDLE PARK — South Melbourne-Hellas v Croatia, 2.45 p.m.

TRACEY'S SPEEDWAY, MARIBYRNONG — Polonia v Slavia, 2.45 p.m.

ELSTERNWICK PARK — Juventus v Hakoah, 2.45 p.m.

SUNDAY

JUBILEE PARK, RINGWOOD — Wilhelmina v Melbourne, 2.45 p.m.

'VARSITY IS STILL STUDENT SERIOUS

University student Kees Mulder, who was seriously injured in the curtain-raiser match at Olympic Park on Sunday, is now "comfortable" in Prince Henry's Hospital. But his condition is serious.

Brain specialists at the hospital have performed two operations on Kees, the first at 5.45 p.m. on the day of the match.

Kees was injured 15 minutes after the start of the second half against Alexander, when he went up to head a ball and collided accidentally with an Alexander player.

He collapsed on the ground and a doctor, who was a spectator, rushed to his assistance. He was taken immediately to Prince Henry's.

Kees, an engineering student, is a Dutch migrant and lives at Mooroolbark. He has been here with his family one and a half years. He is allowed no visitors

at the hospital.

Because of the delicate nature of the operations, medical expenses will be extremely high and the University club is appealing for help from Soccer clubs.

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POST MORTEM

This was no fluke!

Shock result in last Saturday's State League round was Hakoah's 3-1 win over Polonia. Was it a fluke? Was it sheer courage? Or was it just plain old fashioned skill? Read Soccer News expert report in this week's Post Mortem.

GEORGE CROSS v LIONS

Again Alfred Abela played a great game for George Cross, featuring in their two goals. He helped Archie Campbell make the first goal. The second came from Ginger Cassar, who took a corner, centred to Abela, who used his head at the right time to net it home.

It was rather a slow game with Lions uninspiring. The win made sure of George Cross playing in the Australia Cup.

REFEREE — Mr Cadelli slowed the game down with some of his decisions, but his general control was good.

HAKOAH v POLONIA

Hakoah's win was definitely NO fluke! Courage had a lot to do with it — but so, too, did skill in front of goal and grim determination in defence.

Hakoah scored a great goal against the wind in the first half, but when Polonia replied with a penalty early in the second half many thought Hakoah would go to pieces.

Twice Polonia got their amazing "quick-silver" forward system going, with Jankowski, Jurecki and Zientara running rings around the Hakoah defence. When this happened Hakoah's passing fell to pieces; their play was ragged — but not for long.

With sheer determination they pulled themselves together, and with Joe Keenan and Bill Stewart driving them into attack they scored the two vital goals that clinched the game.

Polonia were not allowed to settle down with the superb along-the-carpet Soccer we love to see — Bobby Adams and Bill Lott saw to that with rugged bustling tactics in defence.

A great game, and, for Hakoah, a great result — it carried them a little further away from relegation.

REFEREE — Mr Bartolo had little to do in a good, clean game — but he was inclined to slow play with overuse of the whistle.

SLAVIA v RICHMOND

A disappointing display by Slavia, with the honors going to Richmond for a great defensive game. Alec Glennie and John Berry, ex-Slavia players, played an outstanding game for Richmond. Billy Capeland also played well.

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Players with 2 and 1 votes have been recorded.

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For Slavia, John Sanchez, at left-half, starred, and so did newcomer Bob McLachlan, a former Apia (NSW) player.

Fred Hutchison reports that McLachlan is a player with great promise and we should hear more of him in the future.

REFEREE — Mr Harrison had a good game and was in full command. He didn't miss a thing.

CROATIA v MELBOURNE

Two things which gave Croatia their victory were the strong wind and strong Jim Fernie. Bozo Basic, at centre-half for Croatia, was in fine form.

In the second half, Fernie broke through to score the only goal of the match. And what a goal! Hancock on the right-wing centred, Fernie went up to meet it and from 15 yards out he headed the ball into the net. This was Fernie at his greatest!

From then on it was all Fernie. He gave four chances to his fellow forwards, but little was done with them.

REFEREE — Mr Straface had an excellent game. A sign of a good referee is when he is not noticed on the field. This was the case with Mr Straface on Saturday.

JUVENTUS v WILHELMINA

Juventus threw away their chances by two defensive blunders which gave Wilhelmina their two goals. Van Alphen took a free kick from 45 yards, which was allowed to go through the goalie's hands into the net.

Later Patterson, the reliable Juventus full-back, passer back to his goalkeeper, but a misunderstanding gave Wilhelmina another goal. A bad blunder for Juventus. A neat header by Jimmy Millar gave Juventus their only goal.

In the second half, Wilhelmina goalie Peterschlenngamm was replaced by Gon Gundelach, who gave a sound performance — three great saves clinched the game for Wilhelmina.

REFEREE — Mr Yelland had a tricky game to control because of the frequent niggling between players. But under the circumstances he did a fair job, although he could have applied the advantage rule once or twice.

J.U.S.T. v S.M.-HELLAS

Another splendid exhibition of Soccer by Tommy Anderson, the reliable Hellas half-back. He was in everything and deserved his three votes in both Gilbeys and Globe awards.

First goal was scored by Piki (J.U.S.T.). Teddy Smith equalised for Hellas shortly before half-time. Two excellent goals.

Billy Rice played a great stopper's game for J.U.S.T., well supported by Frank Micic.

REFEREE — Mr Lamb did an excellent job, but linesman Mr Bartolo was constantly waving his flag to the disapproval of the large crowd. Fortunately Mr Lamb ignored the linesman and the game was smooth and entertaining.

Archie's lead narrows to one vote

Tommy Anderson (S.M.-Hellas) and Jim Fernie (Croatia) are hot on the heels of Archie Campbell in voting for the Gilbeys Cup.

Anderson and Fernie each received three votes for their great games at the weekend, and they have moved up to 21 votes.

But Campbell, George Cross star winger, received one vote for a sound game against Lions, and he is still the leader with 22 votes.

The Gilbey Cup voting has now reached an exciting stage. Six of the leading eight players received votes at the weekend — only ones not to earn votes were Billy Vojtek, dashing Croatia forward, and Jimmy Pearson who, of course, is now in Sydney.

John Sanchez (Slavia) and Eddie Jankowski (Polonia) each received two votes to move up to 18. And Billy Rice (J.U.S.T.) scored two to move to 17.

WEEKEND VOTES

George Cross v Lions

- 3 MUSCAT (GC).
- 2 ABELA (GC).
- 1 CAMPBELL (GC).

J.U.S.T. v S.M.-Hellas

- 3 ANDERSON (SMH).
- 2 RICE (J.U.S.T.).
- 1 MICIC (J.U.S.T.).

Hakoah v Polonia

- 3 STEWART (H).
- 2 JANKOWSKI (P).
- 1 LATTO (H).

Slavia v Richmond

- 3 GLENNIE (R).
- 2 SANCHEZ (S).
- 1 BERRY (R).

Croatia v Melbourne

- 3 FERNIE (C).
- 2 BOZO BASIC (C).
- 1 DAVIES (M).

Juventus v Wilhelmina

- 3 LUYT (W).
- 2 HARTLEY (J).
- 1 BROUWER (W).

PROGRESS VOTES

- 22—CAMPBELL (GC).
- 21—Fernie (C); Anderson (SMH).

- 19—Vojtek (C).
- 18—Jankowski (P); Sanchez (S).

- 17—Rice (J.U.S.T.).
- 15—Micic (J.U.S.T.); Pearson (M).

- 14—de Bruyckere (L); Janczyk (P).
- 12—Hartley (J); Elliott (M).

- 11—Waugh, Stewart (H).
- 10—Stankovic (J.U.S.T.).

- 9—Jurecki (P); Glennie (R); Keuken, Norris (W).
- 8—Kamboropoulos (SMH); Millar (J); Walsen (L); Dudon (P).

Freedom for the master



THE MATTHEWS SEASON!

By FRED VILLIERS

We are facing the start of another British football season — or should I say the start of the Matthews season?

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LIONS ARE BACK IN DOLDRUMS

Having practically freed themselves from relegation worries, Lions are more or less back where they started — fighting and struggling to retain their State League status.

They cannot be too happy about their encounter with J.U.S.T. at Olympic Park on Saturday, as the Fontseray side, with an overall superiority, cannot afford any slip-ups.

Lions, of course, still await the outcome of the Wilhelmina game.

Against George Cross Lions were struggling for long periods in the game, and only Tony Vella and Syd Tucker played to form.

Hakoah have 'spirit'

Unless Juventus improve on their colorless and drab display of last week they may find themselves in serious trouble against Hakoah.

The Italians literally gave both points to Wilhelmina, and with the exception of Hartley, Frangioni, Kenny and Millar the side lacked the basic cohesion and combination that's necessary to win games.

The defence had an off day last week, with Beurcht and Patterson playing well below par. Time after time wingers Biro and Bressan overdid the fancy stuff and starved the inside trio.

Nobody has suggested, despite their fine win over Polonia, that Hakoah are a wonder side, but they have proved they can rise to the occasion.

Centre-half Bobby Adams is the bulwark of the defence, who are also inspired by the consistent keeping of young Torascio. Plenty of potential in the Middle Park forwards, where left-winger Joe Keenan is the ace in the pack.

Hakoah should collect at least one point if current form is taken as a pointer.

The forwards take too long to get going and Watson and Angestenberger have a habit of fading out for long periods in the game.

They will need to turn on an exceptional performance if they are to have any hope of success against J.U.S.T. J.U.S.T., right up with Polonia, but on the second rung on goal average, were hard pressed by Hellas, who deprived them of a point which could lose them the premiership.

But they carry too many "big guns" — like Micic Rice, Marinovic and Stan-kovic—for the lowly Lions.

Unless Lions can score a couple of quick goals and upset their opponents I don't fancy their chances

● Previews on this page by staff writer JIM COOK.

POLONIA WILL MAKE AMENDS

Polonia are unlikely to repeat the devastating win they inflicted on Slavia when the two met earlier in the season — but the league leaders are sure to be all-out to atone for their lapse of last week.

It has been proved beyond doubt that if the opposition can bottle-up Jankowski, Jurecki and Zientara then the Polonia machine loses much of its sting and effectiveness.

At left-back and extreme left-wing Polonia have problems which have been more or less apparent all season, and although Slavia's front line is far from impressive, they are sure to probe these weaknesses.

Both these teams strive to build up attacks with the short pass, but Polonia's overall superiority in guile and finish gives them more than the edge.

The duels between Sanchez, back to his best, and Jankowski should be a feature of the game, and with one game under his belt former Apia inside-forward Bobby McLachlan may add some zip and punch to a Slavia attack.

Peru dates

Complete dates are:—
v NSW, Sydney; Sunday, November 10.
v AUSTRALIA, Adelaide; Saturday, November 16.
v VICTORIA, Melbourne; Sunday, November 17.
v AUSTRALIA, Perth; Wednesday, November 20.

v AUSTRALIA, Melbourne; Sunday, November 24.
v AUSTRALIA, Newcastle; Wednesday, November 27.
v AUSTRALIA, Sydney; Sunday, November 30.
v AUSTRALIA, Brisbane; Sunday, December 7.

Going...going...Gone!



South Melbourne-Hellas full-back Xanthopoulos turns on his left foot to boot the ball up field at Olympic Park on Sunday. J.U.S.T. centre-forward Marco Pejovic is close on his heels.

ROMA WINS

In Switzerland, where Roma is completing their preparation for the '63-64 season, the Italians defeated Tumn 8-0 last weekend.

CROATIA DESPERATE FOR POINTS HERE

A quick tackling game, with plenty of end-to-end thrills, is likely at Middle Park on Saturday, when an improved Hellas clashes with a Croatia side desperate for points.

Hellas are gradually finding the form which made them such a force last season. All they need is a couple of very good and experienced players to really make them tick.

In Mantarakes, Anderson, Margarites and Smith, they have sound material, but they need two cool and calculating forwards who have the experience and drive necessary to finish off the many chances they are presented with.

Croatia are a real up and downer.

Earlier promise of bright things has not been fulfilled and wholesale changes in their line-up have only confused matters more. They can thank their lucky stars they have scoring ace Jim Fernie, and to a lesser degree Bozo Basic, who is a pillar of strength at centre half.

Jankowski leaps ahead

Polonia's Eddie Jankowski has an unbeatable nine-goal lead in the State League goal-scoring list.

He has 21 goals. Jim Fernie, of Croatia, is next with 12 goals.

21—JANKOWSKI (P).
12—Fernie (C).
11—Jurecki (P).
9—Piki (J.U.S.T.); Stoffels (W); Villers (H).
8—Abela, Cassar (GC); Millar (J); Godthelp (W); Mroczkowski (P).

Donlevy, Scott Slavia players

Migrant players Frank Donlevy and George Scott have been declared Slavia players.

The council of the Victorian Soccer Federation decided this on Monday night after two months of wrangling by Slavia and Juventus.

The council also decided that Slavia must now pay the two players a signing on fee of £150 each within seven days.

Donlevy and Scott appeared before the council.

Both players arrived in Melbourne in June. Donlevy played for Juventus against Slavia on June 15 in a drawn game.

Slavia appealed and the

council took the point from Juventus.

Since then both players have been out of the game.

Pressure on top sides

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Van Altena put up the shutters against Slavia, and the former Wilhelmina "keeper" has "iron man" John Berry in front of him as good support and cover.

Playing as well as ever is veteran Alec Glennie, who has taken on a new role as wing half-cum-inside forward, and with a fair measure of success, too. Bill Copeland will be out to show his old team he's still a force, and his encounters with Eddie Sacco could be a highlight.

George Cross, in a handy position on the League table in case of a slip-up by Polonia and J.U.S.T., won't underestimate their lowly opponents.

In attack, the danger will come from Archie Campbell and Alfred Abela, with the winger making the openings for the speedy, thrustful centre.

George Cross should make no mistake here.

Lions brief case lost

Mrs R. Feiler, secretary of Lions, lost a brief case containing club papers at Olympic Park on Saturday. Would the finder kindly return the papers to Mrs Feiler, 54 Balston St, East St. Kilda. They are vital for club administration.

Details of matches to be played in ALL divisions are also on Page 7.

Postponed games

Postponed games in Second North and Second South will be played this week. For details see fixtures on Page 7.

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STOP THIS BICKERING!

The attitude of some Metropolitan clubs regarding promotion and relegation is bewildering.

Seven weeks ago the Federation called a meeting to discuss promotion plans for 1963.

The State League and Metropolitan had equal voting rights at this meeting — but 13 Metropolitan clubs did not attend.

The meeting unanimously agreed that delegates from both Metropolitan and State League get together to work out a promotion-relegation system.

WHICH THEY DID!

Now certain Metropolitan clubs want to buck this decision and cause more havoc in Soccer.

Promotion and relegation should have been decided at the start of the season. It wasn't, but a solution has now been worked out.

Let's abide by it now, and put an end to this bickering.

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But Soccer's supremacy as Peru's national sport can best be illustrated by what one of its journalists told me in Chile last year.

He said: "Our boys start 'Futbol' when they start walking."

And now there are 400,000 players of all ages.

Biggest worry for Peruvian football officials is the desperate shortage of footballs. They are too poor to afford them!

Creations

The Peruvians, predominantly of Inca descent, progressed rapidly in Soccer.

Seventeen years after getting organised they became the 1939 champions of South America.

In the early '50's they were finally accepted as a first-class Soccer nation.

Major credit for this goes to their then national coach, the Hungarian Gyorgy Orth, one of Soccer's all-time greats.

Subsequently, some of Orth's greatest "creations" were lost to other South American countries and to Italy at terms far beyond Peru's means.

YOUR LETTERS

SIR,—In all the time I've been a follower of Soccer I've never seen such a disgraceful exhibition of sportsmanship than was shown by a club against Geelong Scottish recently.

As far as this club is concerned, winning counts more than the game. And what a pity the Tribunal cannot determine between a shove and a deliberate kick! Why? Because the penalty is the same — one week for each! One last question: Why are referees frightened to give hairline decisions against top teams? Thanks for a wonderful Soccer News.—WILLIAM DORRIS (president), Geelong Scottish, Thomson St, Norlane.

SIR,—It might be a good idea if Hellas picketers learned the basic rules of Soccer. This would benefit the clubs, the supporters and juniors. Picketing and protesting would then be unnecessary.—A. TURUL (Melbourne).

SIR,—The idea of sending our juniors on a tour of Europe is surely a great one, but January is the most unfavorable month for such an enterprise. It is Europe's coldest, and in Central Europe, where our juniors could learn most, it is a

complete off-season month.

If our juniors had the opportunity to tour Europe in April they could play their matches on perfect grounds in pleasant weather conditions. To play Soccer on ice and snow is nonsense!

So far as juniors are concerned the set up of our Victorian competitions is ridiculous—only four teams in under-14 South! I feel that the State League should step in and put the junior competitions on sound foundations. As most of our State League clubs have junior teams already, it should not be hard to introduce a rule which would make running of at least two junior teams (for the first year under-14 and under-17, later under-20 and under-12) compulsory for all State League clubs.

Naturally, fixtures for the juniors should be identical with those for seniors and reserves, so that club "A" would play on one day with four, five or six teams against club "B".

This system, successfully used in other countries, would enable our clubs to reduce the number of team managers to a minimum — surely an important factor in our Soccer.

All remaining Metropolitan League clubs should form "the other half". Challenge matches between the winners of SL and ML could decide the State champions. — "BURNLEY SOCCER FAN".

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8 million players in Europe

Europe has over eight million Soccer players, according to statistics released recently by FIFA. Highest number of registered players is in West Germany, where 2,128,247 play in competition.

Altogether there are 8,221,962 players in Europe, 110,249 clubs and 296,762 teams.

The number of referees is 156,469.

England, with 30,360, has the highest number of clubs. USSR has the most teams — 90,000.

USSR has 42,000 referees, West Germany 30,193 and England 20,500.

The structure of Peru's football is based predominantly on amateurs. Only 100-odd first-grade players are officially termed professionals.

As it is Peru's Olympic team that will visit us, we can confidently expect that it will be a first-class one.

The international record of the past five years confirms Peru's strong position . . .

● In 1959, at Lima, Peru beat England 4-1.

● In 1962 Peru was eliminated in the World Cup series by Colombia after losing two games by the odd goal. Fantastic goalkeeping by Colombia's Efraim Sanchez was their downfall.

● In 1962 England had revenge, winning 4-0 at Lima.

● In 1963 Peru beat Argentina at the South American championship at La Paz, Bolivia. But Peru lost to Brazil 1-0 and finished fifth in the seven-country championship. Bolivia was the eventual winner.

Assuming that Peru's standard today is at least equal to that of 1960, the Rome Olympics give us a clear pointer. Peru was eliminated by the No. 1 national team of Hungary, 6-2.

Any team of ours, now or in the near future, would surely be beaten by Hungary by a much higher margin.

What type of players are those Peruvians — what is their "usual" style and what's our chance of beating them?

● This will be dealt with in one of the next issues.

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— HE'LL EAT HIS HAT!

Soccer News writer Jim Cook DIDN'T chicken out from 3KZ's Soccer Round-up last Saturday night!

Many listeners thought he had following Richmond's great goalless draw with Slavia.

In this newspaper last week Jim boldly predicted that if Slavia didn't win he'd go out and buy himself a hat—and EAT it!

When Jim didn't turn up at the Federation's 3KZ session on Saturday night we all thought he'd done this and was suffering from the effects of eating too much felt!

But Jim was quite all right. His only ailment was a boil in the mouth which prevented him from appearing on the session—but if Richmond still want to keep him up to eating his hat, Jim will certainly oblige.

MORAL TO THE STORY—There's no such thing as a certainty in the State League these days.

Pulled into an East Kew garage this week and saw a poster advertising next Sunday's State League game between Wilhelmina and Melbourne at Ringwood's Jubilee Park. Good to see we have some publicity-minded officials in the game. They, like us, believe in the old axiom that it pays to advertise—even in sport!

The 64-dollar question in State League circles is: "Who is going to finish in fourth place?" Actually it could be any of EIGHT teams, but the side with best prospects is Wilhelmina, who are fifth now and have a game in hand, against Lions.

We said the State League was close at the end of last season. Wow! It's even closer this year. Turn to page 7 and look at the four clubs — Hakoah, Melbourne, Lions, Croatia — all on 16 points. Only a slight goal average separates them. Then have a look at Wilhelmina and Hellas, both on 18 points, and on top of the ladder, Polonia and J.U.S.T., on 28 points. Who said Soccer wasn't improving in Victoria?

And if you're really interested in close finishes, check-up on the first two teams in the First North and First South Divisions. In the North, Alexander have 36 points and Fiorentina, 35. In the South, Triestina 36 and Austria 32, with these two playing each other in the last round!

Enver Begovic, honorary president of Croatia, suggests Soccer would benefit more if the State League formed itself into a company. He says clubs would have little difficulty in getting businessmen to invest in the company and the top league could be run on a business basis to the benefit of all concerned.

IN TOUCH

with FRED VILLIERS



Still on the business side of Soccer, I hear Mr Marmaras, the Federation chairman, is working on a plan to bring more finance into the game next year. He is budgeting to get the juniors £2500, as well as £7000 for administration and £1500 for publicity and promotion.

Your former "In Touch" columnist, Morrie Buckner, was not at Olympic Park during the weekend. On Wednesday he was taken ill and had to spend a few days in bed. At the time of going to press we hear he's recovered and will be back on the ball next weekend.

Hellas official Des Hamilton tells me the team has got going again as a side and this should prove too much for Croatia, who seem to rely too much on Jim Fernie. Des, like other Hellas followers, is hoping to see the side in the £5000 Australia Craven A Cup this year.

Tony Kovach, president of J.U.S.T., tells me he's waiting on the final okay this week for their tour of New Zealand in October. J.U.S.T. hope to play in all capital cities there and are planning to be away for two weeks. Also there is a whisper that Juventus will tour New Caledonia later this year.

"Proud of our Hungarians"

—MR. MARMARAS

A galaxy of Soccer "top brass" heard Mr Theo Marmaras, chairman of the Victorian and Australian Federations, make one of his best speeches on Saturday night.

Mr Marmaras was replying to Major-General R. J. Risson's address at the St. Stephen's Day Memorial Dinner organised by the Hungarian-Australian Society of Victoria at the Delphic, in Alfred Place, City.

Mr Marmaras said the Melbourne Hungarian Society had done much for Australia and in particular Soccer. They were a fine

people, and he was proud to be among them.

Among those present representing Soccer were:—

Mr Harry J. Dockerty, president of the Victorian Soccer Federation; Mr Theo Marmaras, chairman; Mr Lou DeBono, vice-president; Mr and Mrs Andy Kun (Melbourne); Mr and Mrs John van Hoboken (Wilhelmina); Mr Enver Begovic (Croatia); Mr John Oliphant (Slavia); Mr Tony Kovach (chairman of the State League and also representing J.U.S.T.); Dr and Mrs Henry Baych (Hakoah); Mr Vic Manson (Melbourne) and Mr and Mrs Fred Villiers (Soccer News).

SURPRISE, SURPRISE —FOR S.A.'S POLONIA

From TOM CONNOLLY
ADELAIDE, Wed.—The Federation Cup got away to an exciting start at the weekend. Second Division promotion team Hellas downed Australia Cup candidates Polonia.

Juventus survived a shock from Birkalla. Cumberland surprised by easily outing Lion.

Renowned Cup fighters Edinburgh were surprisingly beaten by Elizabeth — last season Edinburgh caused a sensation by beating Juventus.

The Enfield and Budapest game produced one or two sharp clashes. Cumberland won 4-1

PROMOTION MAY MEAN PLAY-OFF

A special combined meeting of State League and Metropolitan clubs has recommended that a knockout round-robin series of matches be played at the end of the season to decide the two teams for State League next year.

Teams competing in the series will be the two bottom teams in the State League this year and the top team in each of the First North and First South Metropolitan divisions.

The four teams will play each other twice on a home and away basis — 12 matches in all.

In previous years promotion and relegation has been automatic — the bottom two teams in State League went down to First Division and the top two teams in First North and First South went into State League.

Mr Enver Begovic, honorary president of Croatia, a club likely to be relegated, said yesterday that this system was fair to all.

"It means that a club in a lower division had to prove it was ready to advance by beating a club in State League," he said.

Mr Begovic said that State League clubs spent a lot of money to stay in State League. If they were relegated their supporters and players lost interest, and they suffered a great financial loss.

Mr Begovic said that his club had spent £9500 in Soccer this year.

Mr Theo Marmaras, chairman of the Victorian and Australian Soccer Federations, said that the round-robin series would be played as soon as possible after the end of the State League season.

He said that clubs playing would benefit financially from the knockout series.

Mr Begovic is guest speaker

Mr Enver Begovic, honorary president of Croatia, will be guest speaker at the Davies Memorial Brotherhood, Mentone, tomorrow night. Fred Villiers, publicity officer for the Victorian Soccer Federation, will also give a talk.

Brighton secretary

New secretary of Brighton is Mr W. Cowser, 7 Georgiana St. Sandringham. He replaces Mr W. R. Jones, who has moved to Frankston.

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Prague tipped to win Aust. cup

SYDNEY, Wednesday

Proud Sydney premiership winner Prague are playing so well that they are my tip to win the grand final — and the £5000 Craven A Australia Cup.

From TERRY SMITH

It is doubtful whether any club team in Australia could stand up to the clever and lightning fast brand of Soccer which the Prague attack can produce.

They are spearheaded by diminutive goal chaser Brian Tristram.

But the real match-winners for Prague are their lively pair of wingers, Roy Blitz and Luis Gauto.

Draw for the semi-finals at the Sydney Sports Ground is South Coast v Pan-Hellenic, on Sunday week, and Prague v Apia on the following Sunday.

Prague are playing so well that they look to be assured of victory over Apia.

And on present form, Pan-Hellenic must be favoured to beat South Coast.

The success of Pan-Hellenic is based on courage and fight and moving quickly to the ball.

RESULTS

Prague 1 (S. Sherwin) drew with Pan-Hellenic 1 (G. Jones, own goal).

Apia 2 (B. Ithaki, J. Giacomelli) drew with Budapest-St. George 2 (H. Rodriguez, T. Zuckerman).

South Coast 1 (G. Barnett) beat Croatia 0.

Gladesville-Ryde 1 (W. Hume) beat Auburn 0.

Bankstown 2 (R. Marklew 2) beat Hakoah 1 (H. Ninas).

Canterbury-Marickville 2 (G. Davies 2) beat Yugal 1.

FIRST DIVISION

Prague .. 17 3 2 75 30 36
Apia .. 14 5 3 70 38 31

South Coast .. 13 5 4 55 31 30
Pan-Hellenic .. 12 4 6 56 37 36

Gladesville .. 11 7 4 44 37 26
Budapest .. 8 9 5 41 39 21

Canterbury .. 7 9 6 37 45 20
Yugal .. 9 12 1 45 64 19

Hakoah .. 3 11 8 41 59 14
Bankstown .. 7 15 0 36 60 14

Croatia .. 4 14 4 36 61 12
Auburn .. 5 16 1 34 69 11

LONDON STORES

Tommy has a great team

South Melbourne-Hellas star Tommy Anderson has been appointed coach of the Victorian High Schools team to play the Technical Schools at Olympic Park next Wednesday.

And what a team he has! The line-up is:

1 Economedes (Rosanna High and Alexander), 2 Marmur (Sunshine and Polonia Reserves), 3 Ospiwo (Sunshine and Polonia Reserves), 4 Bihary (Brighton and Melbourne), 5 Pipizyk (Sunshine and Polonia Reserves), 6 Ecimovic (St. Albans and St. Albans), 7 Abonyi (Princes Hill and Melbourne), 8 Mangopolous (Northcote), 9 Kutsiraris (Princes Hill and Hellas Reserves), 10 Blank (Sunshine and Polonia Reserves), 11 Sarvinis (Fitzroy and Slavia Reserves).

Australian juniors to meet in October

Junior Federation secretary Don Joiner confirmed, on a visit to Sydney at the weekend, that the Australian Junior championships would be held on October 5, 6 and 7.

Teams expected to compete are NSW, South Australia, Northern NSW, Queensland and Victoria. West Australia and Tasmania may also compete.

During the championships an Australian Junior Soccer Federation is expected to be formed. Selectors will also be appointed to choose the Under-18 team which will tour Europe early next year.

Don also learned that an Under-15 New Zealand schoolboy side will be here next season, playing in Victoria and NSW. They are expected to play several Test matches against Australia.

Juniors play

Latrobe

The annual junior matches between teams from the metropolitan area and the Latrobe Valley will be played on the Melbourne and Austria grounds at Elwood on Sunday. Under 12's and 14's are to be at the ground at 12.30 p.m. Kick-off 1 p.m.

Sunshine win

in Sydney

Sunshine City gave a great display of Soccer to defeat the unbeaten Dee Why under-14's 3-1 in Sydney last Saturday.

Dee Why are the under-14 champions from the Manly Warringah Association, having scored 104 goals for only four against Sunshine City goalkeepers.

were Generutti 2, Bergamasco 1. Best players: Raczkowski (best on ground), Szwej, Fencch, Solarski.

On Sunday, Sunshine City drew 2-2 with the Manly Warringah District under-14 side.

Goalscorers were Poloni 1, Goriup 1. Best players: Szwej, Goriup, Spiteri, Bergamasco.

Both games were sportingly played and contributed to fine Victorian-NSW relationships.

Sunshine have invited Dee Why to Victoria for a return match.

This week's

Cup games

Under-12's — Wilhelmina v W. Newport (L. Melbourne ground (Elwood); Lions-Newport v Sunshine City (Lions Newport ground).

Under-11's — Slavia v Sunshine City (J.U.S.T. junior ground); J.U.S.T. v Melbourne (Slavia junior ground).

Under-16's — Essendon v Polonia, Wilhelmina v Slavia, Springvale v Box Hill, Glenroy v Ardeer (on ground of the first-named team).

Under-18's — Juventus v Pol-Fawkes (J.U.S.T. junior ground); North Sunshine v Brighton (Melbourne ground, Elwood).

Under-20's — George Cross v S.M.-Hellas (Maccabi ground, Yarra Park); Melbourne v Brunswick-Alhens (Slavia ground, Elwood).

Under-16's and 18's to be at the ground at 2.15, kick-off, 2.45 p.m.

Teams: — Under-12: Bardsley (Frankston), Zizas (S.M.-Hellas), Koliba (Ardeer), Kehavass (S.M.-Hellas), Szewczuk (Olympia), Rolnik (Ardeer), Musker (S.M.-Hellas), Kasapidis (J.U.S.T.), Davidson (W.L.), Todorovic (J.U.S.T.), Kupinic (J.U.S.T.), O'Grady (Olympia), Wilson (Waverley). Referee: Rolnik.

Under-14: Papoutsakis (Slavia), Nikolic (J.U.S.T.), Koblinski (W. Newport), Lobczuk (Sokol), Palm (W.L.), Dale (Chelsea) capt., Generutti (Sunshine City), Pietrowsky (Sun-

shine City), Roszyk (D.H.S.), Conti (Slavia), Vassello (Melbourne), Klain (Sunshine City), Sinn (Sunshine Hts). Referee: Jureczyszyn.

Under-16: Kastner (George Cross), Percy (Moorabbin), Warren (Frankston), Fiorentino (Juventus), Anolak (Trident), Dobzynski (W.L.), Traskowski (George Cross), Pietrowsky (North Sunshine), Starostecki (Ardeer), Wilson (Melbourne), Kupier (Olympia), Shanks (Melbourne), Nowak (Olympia). Referee: M. Debono.

Under-18: Watson (Dandenong), W. Kilvert (Brighton), Marmar (Nth Sunshine), Reimovic (St. Albans), Barna (Melbourne), Biro (Melbourne), Knot (Nth Sunshine), Gromek (Ardeer), Szewczuk (Olympia), Kasdaglis (Brighton), Wrobel (Ardeer), Snopkowski (Pol-Fawkes), Sowula (Nth Sun). Referee: J. Falzon.

Forward in form

Moreland centre-forward Jim Larmour has scored four goals in each of his last two games.

Moreland forwards are in top form, having scored 71 goals this year. Backed by sound defence they have high hopes in the Federation Cup.

Pools corner

By "HOTSPUR"

LONDON, Wednesday. — Everton, the football league champions, trounced Manchester United 4-0 on Saturday in the annual Football Association charity shield match between the league and cup winners of the previous season.

Manchester United played clever football in midfield during the first half, but faded under the pressure of Everton's speed and thrust.

Scorers for Everton were Jimmy Gabriel, Roy Vernon, Denis Stevens and Derck Temple.

Rangers made virtually certain of a place in the quarter-finals of the Scottish League Cup when they trounced their nearest rivals, Kilmarnock, by 4-1 on their opponents' home ground.

Motherwell also look certain to win their section of the competition.

On Saturday they slammed Falkirk 6-0 — a repeat of their slashing victory last season, when they humbled unfortunate Falkirk 9-1 in this competition.

Two goals by Penman helped Dundee score a 4-1 win over Dunfermline, and Murray got two for rejuvenated Third Lanark in a 3-2 win over Airdrieonians.

Morton, helped by two

Here's the "rest of the world"

The "Rest of the World" Soccer squad, from which the team to play England at Wembley on October 23, will be selected is:

GOALKEEPERS: Gilma (Brazil); Yoshii (Russia); Siskic (Yugoslavia); Farbrion (West Germany); Cabajal (Mexico).

FULL - BACKS: Santos (Brazil); Matrai (Hungary); Novak (Czechoslovakia); Elder (Northern Ireland).

HALF-BACKS: Schnellinger (West Germany); Popovic, Radakvic (Yugoslavia); Cremond, Baxter, Mackay (Scotland); Masoput, Plusker (Czech.); Rojas (Chile).

FORWARDS: Garrincha (Brazil); Galic (Yugoslavia); Kuesnak (Czech.); Atafini, Sivor, Rivera (Italy); Albert (Hungary); Law (Scotland); Sanchez (Chile); Genfo, Di-Stefano (Spain); Eusebio (Portugal); Maschki (Russia) and Jones (Wales).

The team will be chosen by a selection committee of four, headed by Harry Cavan, president of the Irish Football Association.

Team manager is former Benfica chief, Fernando Riera. — JIM COOK.

GEOFF DOBB SELECTS

FIRST NORTH: Coburg; Alexander; Box Hill; Sicilia; Fiorentina; Moreland. FIRST SOUTH: Australia; Bayswater; Yal-lourn; South Yarra; Oakleigh. Draw: Makedonia - Dandenong. SECOND NORTH: Heidelberg; Libertas; Park Rangers; Frankston; Sunshine Heights. SECOND SOUTH:

Austria's slim hope

By GEOFF DOBB

Austria — the "percentage experts" of Victorian Soccer — have a slim chance of State League in 1964, following Triestina's 1-1 draw with Oakleigh on Saturday.

Austria, who scored nine against Geelong on Saturday, will be South premiers if they can beat the Italians twice and win by 6-0 or better.

On comparative form in the past month this isn't impossible. The two clash at Olympic Park at 1.15 p.m. on Sunday in what will be their most vital game for 1963. My tip is that the fitter Austrians will win narrowly.

They clash again the following week in a replay of the match which was abandoned at Olympic Park on June 1.

In 1962 the Austrians finished First Division South runners-up on percentage from Sandringham, and earned £120 in Dock-erty Cup gate receipts.

Shock win

Last Saturday saw a shock 1-0 away win by Ringwood over Second South premiers Park Rangers (who finished with eight fit men), leaving Brunswick Athens the only undefeated senior team in the VSE.

In First North we saw a thrilling 4-4 draw at

WILLIAMSTOWN, which possibly meant relegation for the 'Varsity after a close tussle between Williamstown, University and doomed Corio.

First South shock was BRIGHTON'S comfortable 3-1 victory over MAKE-DONIA, while the BAYS-WATER-YALLOURN 2-2 draw, as tipped, guaranteed the Gipslanders' 1964 position.

New look

ESSENDON coach John Mather told me two weeks ago that they would shock leaders with the Bombers' revitalised combination.

Since then Essendon went down 2-3 at BALLARAT, and leaders BELL PARK beat the youngsters only 2-1 on Saturday. A team of the future!

Congrats to SEYMOUR on a good win over ST. ALBANS, while it was disappointing to see walk-overs by the bottom two clubs, Maccabi and Nor-lane - Olympia.

Reviewing Second South performances, lethargic PRAHRAN received a severe 1-3 jolt by the young SPRINGVALE boys, and much will depend on FND's final decision on promotion.

Talking to Lt-Comdr Belbin last week, it seemed likely that the Navy, with continual new drafts, would remain a social Second Division club.

Now, what is ahead? First Division South has both of the key games this Saturday — Austria's promotion chance, and, who will be relegated out of the SOUTH YARRA - FERN-TREE GULLY clash.

If the Dutchmen can get both points, Yarra then face YALLOURN in a postponed Fawkes Park match for a final chance for a point.

If they lose both matches SOUTH YARRA will return to the Second Division, as their current goal average of 16-42 would finish them below Gully, who have already netted 36 times.

However, on recent form I can't see FTG winning. In the past five weeks SOUTH YARRA'S record is one win, three draws and Saturday's 0-3 loss at Dandenong Showgrounds.

Gully have stout-hearted triers, but lack Yarra's overall 90-minute fighting spirit on last Saturday's effort, and is also an older team than Yarra, who must improve training facilities for 1964 success.

Nothing much is at stake in other games other than club prestige. For example, which former State-Leaguer will be third in First North. Both BOX HILL and MORELAND will be flat out for goals against UNIVERSITY and MOONEE PONDS.

'Varsity's Angus Trennan and Littleton should do well against their former Whitehorsemen mates but, on goal averages, it is unlikely Eric Heath's Green-shirts will finish third.

Easy game

ALEXANDER must win well over SUNSHINE, who disappointed in their 0-3 loss at Coburg. The Greeks' close rivals, FIORENTINA, will have an easy game against CORIO.

WILLIAMSTOWN have surprised by their revived spirit, and will be flat out against faster COBURG, who have hit top form recently over University and Sunshine. Coburg narrowly.

In First Division South BAYSWATER, with canny Plumb directing moves from centre-half, should win soundly at GEELONG.

Former key clubs in the 1940's, YALLOURN and BRIGHTON, will meet in a fast, clean game in Gipps-land, and with some tension gone a fine match is expected, with a close home win.

MAKEDONIA sadly missed coach Kostovski at Brighton, and will require more steadiness to overcome a promising DANDE-NONG. Both have inconsistent forwards, and a draw is probable.

SANDRINGHAM have won three in the past month, but now face a stronger team in OAK-LEIGH and are handicapped with injuries to leading players. Oakleigh have done well against Austria and Triestina, and must be favored.

Ban doesn't daunt the boys from White Hills

By GEOFF DOBB

Despite a ban on the use of school funds for Soccer equipment, the boys of White Hills Technical School, Bendigo, are conducting a Form I Soccer tournament.

They have formed under-12 and under-14 teams and would like social matches at home or in Melbourne.

If you are interested—or have spare equipment—please contact David Lea, at the school.

AUSTRIA suffered a severe loss against South Yarra recently when the best player in their history, current captain Franz Schwarz, cracked a shinbone.

Franz will be out for 1963, but the Austrian players have already raised £32/5/- to help cover lost wages and the club is very proud of the hard work done on the field by replacement centre-half Hans Schnepf.

RINGWOOD UNITED performed a very nice gesture on Saturday in presenting PARK RANGERS' captain-coach "Bobby" Whiteside with a bouquet of orchids in honor of his work in Rangers' premiership.

Then, unfortunately, "Bobby" had to leave the field with severely torn leg ligaments, and Ringwood inflicted Rangers' first defeat, with Sherry also injured.

Surprising to learn that one British second division club, noted for its keen but clean style, has changed its interest away from the ball.

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Singapore pulls out of games

Formation of Malaysia has affected Singapore's participation in the Olympic Games Football Tournament. They have withdrawn, with Burma now qualifying for the next round. Malaysia will be represented possibly by players from Malaya, Singapore, Sarawak and North Borneo.

Wedding bells for Hellas

Young South Melbourne forward Pyrgolios will be married after Saturday's game against Croatia. Fellow team-mate Johnny Margaritis will be married after the game the following week.

GINO RETIRES

Italian Soccer star Gino Pivatelli, of Milan, has announced his intention of retiring. He said: "With the win of the European Champions' Cup, I have achieved my greatest ambition as a player. Now I must think about my future." — *Via-cent Basile.*

LUCERNE WIN

Lucerne defeated Bari 1-0 last week in a friendly match. The goal was scored from a penalty spot by centre-half Harn in the first half.

Soccer cricketers

Glenroy United has a plan to keep its Under-12's together during the summer — it will form them into a cricket team. And it is looking for other clubs to do the same. If you're interested, contact Mr. John Zammit, 4031, ext. 2724.

NOW JUST FANCY THAT!



It was party time for Slavia last Saturday night. Here some of the revellers pose for our photographer. Left to right: Nola Gregson, Hamilton McMeechan, Lia Orlowsky, Danielle Romero, Johnny Sanchez and Pamela Hart.

JIM COOK'S — A COOK'S TOUR OF THE CLUBS

Love lured Bob home

Bobby McLachlan, who lined up at inside-left for Slavia against Richmond last week, was nearly lost to Australian Soccer.

Love and cold weather have played a big part in Bobby's Soccer life.

Bobby, aged 23, joined Apia in Sydney three years ago with Vernon Wenzel.

He returned home to Scotland at the end of last season, to get married.

He eventually signed for Morton in the Scottish Second Division, but because of exceptionally bad weather, he played only a few games, then got a free transfer and returned to Australia.

Referees

It was a family affair at the Juventus v Wilhelmina games on Saturday at Elsternwick Park. Referee George Yelland handled the main game, while his son was in charge of the reserve match.

Park Rangers

Park Rangers suffered their first defeat of the season last week—but also lost another record when Gold was sent off. Larry Harris informs me that it's over six years since they last had a player ordered off.

Moreland

Moreland have a promising young winger in 17-year-old Arnold Peat. This boy, who has turned in some good performances this season, is a product of the Essendon juniors.

New Zealand

One of New Zealand's best goalkeepers, Svend Ove Nissen, was killed recently in a factory accident at work. A native of Denmark, Nissen played for Marienlyst and B 909 before joining the Onehunga club in Auckland in 1961. He leaves a widow and daughter.

Hakoah

Wing half is no new position to Alan Villers, who turned out in that berth against Polonia. Before coming to Australia in 1961 Alan played three trials at wing half for Second Division club Montrose.

Wilhelmina

South African Neville Luyt is having his best-ever spell at full back for the Ringwood side. His recent displays have been sure-footed and steady.

Croatia

Croatia are hoping to bring several players of the Jim Fernie class from Scotland in time for next season.

Polonia

A new left-winger from Poland is likely to arrive soon—in fact in time for some of the vital games the club has ahead this season.

"Transfer" case cost £15,000

By JIM COOK

Costs on the judgment of the recent George Eastham case cost the Professional Players' Association and the player £15,000.

The PFA paid seven-eighths and the player one-eighth.

PFA chairman Malcolm Musgrove denied a report that his association is broke and commented that the £15,000 spent is a cheap price for freedom.

Members of the English Players' Union pay half a crown a week subscription.

The London High Court ruled early in July that the English retention and transfer system for Soccer players was illegal. Eastham challenged the legality of the system after being kept for five months on the list of retained players of the Newcastle United Football Club.

Eastham is an England and Arsenal £47,000 sterling inside-forward.

THEY HAVE CRAVEN A CUP CHANCE

Here are the teams in each State which at present occupy the four top places in the race to play in the £5000 Craven "A" Australia Cup at the end of the season:—

VICTORIA

Polonia, J.U.S.T., George Cross, Slavia.

NEW SOUTH WALES

Prague, Apia, Pan Hellenic, South Coast United.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Juventus, Budapest, Croatia, Polonia.

NORTH NSW

Wallsend, Awaba, West Wallsend, Lake Macquarie.

QUEENSLAND

Hellenic, Azzurri, La-trobe, Merton.

TASMANIA

Olympia, Rangers, Juventus, Rapid.

Likely teams

S.M. - HELLAS v CROATIA

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| 1 PENZO | 1 BOBETIC |
| 2 XANTHOPOULOS | 2 BOT |
| 3 KALIGEROS | 3 ADRIC |
| 4 ANDERSON | 4 GULIN |
| 5 KOURKOULAKOS | 5 B. BASIC |
| 6 IEREMIADES | 6 P. BASIC |
| 7 KAMBOPOULOS | 7 HANCOCK |
| 8 PAPADOPOULOS | 8 VOJTEK |
| 9 MARGARITES | 9 FERNIE |
| 10 SMITH | 10 RAU |
| 11 MANTARAKES | 11 BRKIC |

WILHELMINA v MELBOURNE

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| 1 PETERSCHLENGNAMM | 1 DAVIES |
| 2 BROUWER | 2 BECSI |
| 3 LUYT | 3 FOWLER |
| 4 VLEUGELS | 4 GARRETT |
| 5 VAN ALPHEN | 5 ELLIOTT |
| 6 KEUKEN | 6 GREGAL |
| 7 NORRIS | 7 ZUBIANI |
| 8 PETERSEN | 8 J. ABONYI |
| 9 STOFFELS | 9 MALLOY |
| 10 KIEBOOM | 10 TOSHACK |
| 11 VAN DIJK | 11 JUHASZ |

LIONS v J.U.S.T.

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| 1 VOIGT | 1 FODE |
| 2 MARTH | 2 RASIC |
| 3 DAVID | 3 GREGO |
| 4 ESCHKER | 4 MICIC |
| 5 F. MARTH | 5 RICE |
| 6 VELLA | 6 RUSMIR |
| 7 ANGSTENBERGER | 7 DIXON |
| 8 LURUSSO | 8 MARINOVIC |
| 9 WATSON | 9 PIKL |
| 10 DE BRUYCKERE | 10 WALDENOVIC |
| 11 TUCKER | 11 STANKOVIC |

RICHMOND v GEORGE CROSS

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| 1 VAN ALTENA | 1 HOBSON |
| 2 KRAMBEHR | 2 SACCO |
| 3 BOMMERSHEIM | 3 A. FALZON |
| 4 STORKER | 4 HODGSON |
| 5 BERRY | 5 MUSCAT |
| 6 BREITSPECHER | 6 BINNIE |
| 7 DAVERIDGE | 7 CAMPBELL |
| 8 GLENNIE | 8 J. FALZON |
| 9 BURCHERT | 9 ABELA |
| 10 BEINROTH | 10 CASSAR |
| 11 COPELAND | 11 TERRY |

POLONIA v SLAVIA

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| 1 PUTKOWSKI | 1 BAROTAJIS |
| 2 GASIOR | 2 SHEPPARD |
| 3 SZBETANSKI | 3 ACKERLEY |
| 4 JANCZYK | 4 AUCHIE |
| 5 GROSS | 5 COOK |
| 6 DUDON | 6 SANCHEZ |
| 7 VELLA | 7 McMEECHAN |
| 8 JANKOWSKI | 8 McCOLGAN |
| 9 JURECKI | 9 PALMER |
| 10 ZIENTARA | 10 McLACHLAN |
| 11 ZYGLASKI | 11 McCORQUODALE |

JUVENTUS v HAKOAH

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| 1 BEURCHT | 1 TARASCIO |
| 2 PATTERSON | 2 ALEXANDER |
| 3 HARTLEY | 3 WAUGH |
| 4 GRIGGS | 4 LATO |
| 5 FRANGIONI | 5 ADAMS |
| 6 KENNY | 6 VILLERS |
| 7 BIRO | 7 McQUILLAN |
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Moe - team with a future

From FRANK McIVER

Leaders Pegasus showed no mercy to visitors Newborough to convince all and sundry that they are the Valley's top team for 1963.

But it was the young Moe United team that produced the upset of the day when they held the improving Fortuna to a 1-1 draw.

Last week's tactics of Falcons, which gave them victory over Monash, was applied against them by the Rangers.

Busting their way through in a hard and fast game, Rangers in the last 15 minutes proved too strong.

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